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Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

Transportation Committee Minutes
Draft Minutes
June 12, 2009

Transportation Research and Analysis Computation Center (TRACC)
Argonne National Laboratory
2700 International Drive
West Chicago, IL. 60185

Members Present: Vice Chair - Chris Snyder – DuPage County, John Biessel – Cook

County, Bruce Christensen – Lake County, John Donovan – FHWA, Rocky Donahue – Pace, Heidi Files - Kane County, John Fortmann -IDOT District One, Don Kopec - CMAP, Catherine Kannenberg-

Metra, Christina Kupkowski - Will County, Jason Osborn -

McHenry County, Les Nunes – IDOT OPP, David Seglin – CDOT, David Simmons - CTA, Mike Sullivan – Kendall County, Sidney

Weseman – RTA, Rocco Zucchero– Illinois Tollway

Members Absent: Chuck Abraham - IDOT- DPIT, Bill Brown – NIRPC, Maria Choca-

Urban – CNT, Robert Hann – Private Providers, Arlene J. Mulder – Council of Mayors, Randy Neufeld - Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force, Mike Rogers - IEPA, Joe Schofer - Northwestern University, Peter Skosey – Metropolitan Planning Council, Steve Strains – NIRPC, Vonu Thakuriah - UIC-UTC, Ken Yunker – SEWRPC, David Werner – FTA - USDOT Chicago Metro Office, Tom Zapler –

Class 1 Railroad Companies

Others Present: Len Cannata, Kama Dobbs, Henry Guerriero, John Loper, Paul

Metaxatos, John Mick II, Chad Riddle, Vodius Sokdou, Joe Spedale,

Mike Walczak, Jan Ward, Tammy Wierciak

Staff Present: Teri Dixon, Lori Heringa, Tom Murtha, Holly Ostdick, Dan Rice

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

Chris Snyder, Vice Committee Chair, called the meeting to order.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes or announcements.

3.0 Approval of Minutes

On a motion, Mr. Seglin, seconded by Mr. Kopec the June 12, 2009 minutes were approved.

4.0 Coordinating Committee Reports

Mr. Seglin updated the TC on the June 8, 2009 Planning Committee meeting. GO TO 2040's treatment of major transportation capital projects, which are projects that significantly impact the region's transportation system was discussed. These projects generally include additions, expansions, or entirely new expressway or rail projects. The Planning Coordinating Committee recommended approval of this list to the CMAP Board. The Center for Neighborhood Technology's work to create an index that measures housing and transportation costs was discussed as the index may be relevant as part of CMAP's long-range planning work. Snapshot reports on two topics, industry clusters and air quality were presented to the committee. The industry clusters report describes industries which could be important elements of the future economy due to their concentration in the region or high growth rates. The air quality report describes air quality conditions and trends in the region, as well as the regulatory framework governing air quality. The committee also viewed the new format of the GO TO 2040 website, which will be used heavily as part of the summer public engagement.

5.0 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Ms. Ostdick requested committee approval of amendments to not exempt and exempt TIP projects that exceed amendment thresholds. The four reports with amendments and revisions were posted on the web site for a seven day public comment period and no comments were received.

On a motion by Mr. Christensen seconded by Ms. Files, the not exempt and exempt project amendments were amended into the TIP. Vote: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

6.0 Regional Bridge Condition Report

Mr. Rice presented a summary report of regional highway bridge conditions as of 2007. The report explained the condition rating system, review trends and explained regional conditions. The report is posted at http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/WorkArea/DownloadAsset.aspx?id=15502.

7.0 Northeastern Illinois Regional Greenways and Trails Plan – 2009 Update

Ms. Heringa gave some history on the Northeastern Illinois Regional Greenways

and Trails Plan – 2009 Update and briefed the committee on the update.

On a motion by Mr. Osborn seconded by Mr. Weseman, the Northeastern Illinois Regional Greenways and Trails Plan – 2009 Update was released for a 15-day public comment period and recommended for consideration by the Programming Coordinating Committee. Subsequent to the meeting the comment period was extended to run through July 24. Vote: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

8.0 Public Comment

There was no public comment.

9.0 Other Business

The TRACC staff presented an overview of the facilities and the services that are available to the transportation community at the TRACC facilities. An invitation was extend for a tour following the meeting.

10.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled July 31, 2009 at 9:30 0 a.m. in the Cook County Room in the Cook County at CMAP headquarters, 233 South Wacker Drive, 8th floor.

11.0 Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded for adjournment.

Transportation Committee Members Charles Abraham Don Kopec Dick Smith Christina Kupkowski Rocky Donahue **David Simmons** ____ Jan Metzger ____ Steve Strains John Donovan*** ____ Arlene J. Mulder _____ Chris Synder** John Fortmann _____ Randy Neufeld ___ Bruce Gould _____ Vonu Thakuriah Rupert Graham, Jr Jason Osborn Paula Trigg David Werner*** Jack Groner Leanne Redden

Luann Hamilton*	Mike Rogers	Ken Yunker
Robert Hann	Joe Schofer	Tom Zapler
Fran Klaas	Peter Skosey	
*Chair	**Vice-Chair	***Non-voting